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SUBJECT: EC WINE DISTILLATION

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- 1. THE NEW WINE DISTILLATION PROGRAM RECENTLY APPROVED BY THE EC COUNCIL (REF B) TAKES EFFECT FROM JUNE 7, 1975, BECAUSE AN EARLIER PROGRAM FOR DISTILLING 4.6 MILLION HECTOLITERS OF WINE (REF C) IS IN EFFECT FROM FEBRUARY 4, 1975 JUNE 6, 1975. DETAILS ON THE LATTER PROGRAM ARE CONTAINED IN EC COUNCIL REGULATION NO. 267/75 (OFFICIAL JOURNAL L 30) AND EC COMMISSION REGULATION NO. 820/75 (OFFICIAL JOURNAL L 78).
- 2. THE GENERAL RULES FOR THE NEW DISTILLATION PROGRAM ARE IN COUNCIL REGULATION 1036/75 OF APRIL 21, 1975 (OFFICIAL JOURNAL L 103). THIS ALLOWS WINE PRODUCERS TO CONCLUDE DELIVERY CONTRACT WITH DISTILLERS OF THEIR CHOICE. UNCLASSIFIED

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UNDER SUCH A CONTRACT THE DISTILLER MUST PURCHASE TABLE WINES

AT A PRICE NO LESS THAN 1.56 U.A. PER DEGREE PER HECTOLITRE. UPON PROOF THAT DISTILLATION HAS TAKEN PLACE DURING THE PRESCIBED PERIOD (ARTICLE 4) THE INTERVENTION AGENCY SHALL PAY A SUBSIDY TO THE DISTILLER OF .90 U.A. PER DEGREE AND PER HECTOLITRE IF THE WINE WAS PROCESSED INTO A PRODUCT OF ALCOHOLIC STRENGTH OF .86 DEGREES OR MORE, OR A SUBSIDY OF .76 U.A. PER DEGREE AND PER HECTOLITRE OF THE RESULTING PRODUCT HAS 85 DEGREES OR LESS ALCOHOLIC STRENTH.

3. THE INDUSTRIAL ALCOHOL THUS OBTAINED CAN BE SOLD/STORED/UTILIZED, ETC AS THE DISTILLER SEES FIT. THERE ARE NO EC RULES GOVERNING THE ALCOHOL'S RE-SALE PRICING NOR ITS DISPOSAL, AND NONE ARE FORESEEN.
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